



**FEMA**

March 13, 2014

The Honorable Nikki R. Haley  
Governor of South Carolina  
1205 Pendleton Street  
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Governor Haley:

This is in response to your March 2, 2014, request for a major disaster declaration for the State of South Carolina due to a severe winter storm during the period of February 10-14, 2014. You specifically requested Public Assistance for 21 counties and Hazard Mitigation statewide. You further requested 100 percent federal funding for debris removal and emergency protective measures (Categories A and B) under the Public Assistance program for the first 72 hours.

The March 12, 2014, major disaster declaration FEMA-4166-DR authorized Public Assistance for all of the requested counties and Hazard Mitigation statewide.

The damage to the infrastructure was significant in the counties designated for Public Assistance. However, it has been determined that the impact from this event was not of the severity and magnitude that would warrant an increase to the federal cost share. Therefore, your request for 100 percent federal funding for debris removal and emergency protective measures (Categories A and B) for the first 72 hours is denied.

This denial may be appealed within 30 days of the date of this letter. The appeal, along with additional information justifying the appeal, should be submitted to me through Major P. May, Regional Administrator, FEMA Region IV, located at 3003 Chamblee Tucker Road, Atlanta, Georgia 30341.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Elizabeth A. Zimmerman", followed by a long horizontal line.

Elizabeth A. Zimmerman  
Acting Associate Administrator  
Office of Response and Recovery